

SUBJECT No. 247.

A high school at Tirthahalli.

Messrs. Venkatasubbannachar, Thammaiya Bhatta, and Agumbi Rama Rao, Tirthahalli taluk.

SUBJECT No. 248.

A bridge across the Tunga river at Tirthahalli.

Messrs. Venkatasubbannachar, Thammaiya Bhatta, and Agumbi Rama Rao, Tirthahalli taluk.

SUBJECT No. 249.

A dispensary or vaidyasala and a midwife for Santebennur.

Mr. Nadig Bhima Rao, Channagiri taluk.

SUBJECT No. 250.

Building for the dispensary at Nyamti.

Mr. Revana Siddaiya, Honnali taluk.

SUBJECT No. 251.

Revision of the rules regarding the grant of lands on *eksal* tenure.

Mr. Halappa, Honnali taluk.

SUBJECT No. 252.

(a) Grant of small bamboos at reduced seigniorage for ryots of Chinikatte magani, Honnali taluk.

(b) Fuel to ryots for jaggory boiling in Chinikatte and Nyanti maganis in Honnali taluk.

Mr. Halappa, Honnali taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As Nagar, Sringeri and Koppa taluks are near Tirthahalli, a high school may be opened there.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

Summary of discussion.—This subject is being represented repeatedly. It is prayed that a bridge across the Tunga at Tirthahalli may be constructed early.

Reply of Government.—Government will be prepared to consider the feasibility of undertaking the work, if the people can contribute a part of the cost.

Summary of discussion.—Santebennur is a big village containing about 450 or 500 houses and there are several villages adjoining it. There is neither a dispensary nor a vaidyasala within a distance of 10 or 15 miles from it. As the absence of medical aid is bitterly felt, it is prayed that a dispensary or a vaidyasala may be established with a midwife attached to it.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Summary of discussion.—A hired house in the middle of the town is used for the dispensary. The locality is unsuited for holding *post mortem* examinations and will be dangerous during outbreaks of plague. It is, therefore, prayed that a separate building may be constructed for the dispensary.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered if the District Board *quota* is forthcoming.

Summary of discussion.—Owing to the growth of sandal plants in cultivated lands and still more on account of the growth therein of a weed called the *Bilekasa* plant which is destructive to ragi crops, the ryots of Chinikatte magani in the Honnali taluk are obliged to change their lands frequently. The rules regarding the grant of only the assessed waste lands for cultivation on one year's tenure work a great hardship in the case of the ryots of the Chinikatte magani. It is therefore prayed that the rules in force may be kindly revised so as to permit of the grant of cultivated lands also on *eksal* tenure.

Reply of Government.—Discretion may be given to the local officers to extend the *eksal* tenure in special cases.

Summary of discussion.—(a) As the area of District Forest assigned for villages in Chinikatte magani has been very much reduced, there are no areas containing small bamboos. Ryots have now to purchase them from the State Forests for putting up hedges round their sugar cane fields and for their cattle sheds. They have to pay a seigniorage of Rs. 2½ per 100 for small bamboos which are granted to *Medars* and *Koramars* at Rs. 2 per

hundred. For contractors the seigniorage charged is Re. 1 per hundred. It is prayed that orders may be issued for the grant of small bamboos to the ryots of Chinikatte magani at the rate charged to contractors. It is further prayed that as half of Chinikatte magani in Honnali taluk is malnad, the concession given to malnad ryots may be extended to these ryots also.

(b) The ryots of Chinikatte and Nyamti maganis have been allowed fuel for jaggory boiling at two annas per cart-load. The ryots have to fetch fuel from the State Forest and store them from the month of September up to about the 20th October. The Forest Departmental authorities refuse to permit ryots to take fuel during that time. As the months of November and December are busy seasons for agriculturists, it is prayed that orders may be issued to the Forest Department to grant fuel during the months of September and October.

Reply of Government.—(a) Will be considered.

(b) Orders will issue to grant license between 1st September and 30th October.

CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

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SUBJECT No. 253.

Water-supply to Chitaldrug town.

Messrs. Lingappa and N. Bhima Rao, Chitaldrug municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Chitaldrug town often suffers from water scarcity. There are no streams or rivulets near Chitaldrug. It is prayed that good and sufficient water may be supplied to the town.

Reply of Government.—The matter is engaging the attention of the Public Works Department. The Chief Engineer has promised to visit the town at an early date and settle the details.

SUBJECT No. 254.

A muezzin and a sweeper to the Jumma Masjid at Chitaldrug.

Mr. Syed Budan Sab, Hiriur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Jumma Masjid at Chitaldrug was built during the time of Tippu Sultan. It is under the management of the Muzrai Department. The want of a muezzin and a sweeper to the masjid causes great inconvenience to the Mahomedans in the offer of their daily prayers (Namaj) in the masjid. It is prayed that a muezzin on a pay of Rs. 7 and a sweeper on a pay of Rs. 6 per month be appointed to this masjid.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration, if funds permit.

SUBJECT No. 255.

Affiliation of Chitaldrug high school to the Bombay University.

Mr. B. V. Narayana Rao, Hosdurga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that the high school at Chitaldrug may be affiliated to the Bombay University.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.